



County of Milwaukee
Office of the Sheriff

David A. Clarke Jr.
Sheriff

DATE: December 4, 2014

TO: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard R. Schmidt, Inspector, Office of the Sheriff, Milwaukee County

SUBJECT: Request to accept Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program grant funding for TSA certified explosives detection canine teams to respond to threats at General Mitchell International Airport and related locations in the amount of \$1,010,000 for the Office of the Sheriff.

REQUEST

The Sheriff of Milwaukee County requests authority to accept this grant Award Agreement No: HSTS02-15-H-NCP452 from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2019 and receive funding of \$1,010,000 from the Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program (NEDCTP) for TSA certified explosives detection canine teams to respond to threats at General Mitchell International Airport and related locations within the Sheriff's Transportation Operating System (TSO).

BACKGROUND

The most recent Award Agreement No: HSTS0208HCAN433 between Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration and the Milwaukee County Sheriff was effective from April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2015 and provided initial funding in the amount of \$100,500. Eighteen (18) subsequent amendments increased the total funding to \$1,476,698. According to that agreement the Sheriff agrees to maintain TSA-certified canine teams that will be available to work within the transportation systems under the jurisdiction of the Sheriff, twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week, with the intent to provide maximum coverage during peak operating hours. The Sheriff also agrees to maintain the ability to promptly respond to threats at support facilities within the Sheriff's Transportation Operating System (TOS), which affect public safety or transportation operations. TSA canine teams will conduct frequent canine activities within view of the public, thereby providing a noticeable visible deterrent towards terrorist threats and other criminal activity. The Sheriff agrees that these TSA-certified canine teams will be utilized at least eighty percent (80%) of their time in the Sheriff's TOS.

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The new contract period is from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2019 to continue the services outlined above. Reimbursement will be made monthly upon receipt and approval of detailed documentation within the appropriate funding period. Allowable reimbursable items include: 1) handlers salaries, 2) trainer salaries, 3) handler/trainer uniforms and laundering, 4) canine expenses, 5) kenneling, 6) administrative/support, 7) preapproved vehicles, 8) vehicle equipment, 9) explosive storage and transportation, 10) training equipment, 11) communication media, and 12) travel for certification and training.

FISCAL NOTE

Grant funding awarded for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019 is \$1,010,000. No matching funds are required.

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cc: Chris Abele, County Executive
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